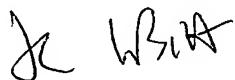


REMARKS

Claims 10-29 are pending in this application. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-9 have been canceled and claims 10-29 have been added. No new matter is believed added.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Application as presented is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary in order to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



John W. LaBatt, Reg. No. 48,301
Hoffman, Warnick & D'Alessandro LLC
75 State Street, 14th Floor
Albany, NY 12207
(518) 449-0044 - Telephone
(518) 449-0047 - Facsimile

Dated: 22 Dec. 2005